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In re Application of:

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For: PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERTER,

METHOD FOR DRIVING

PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERTER

AND SYSTEM HAVING

PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERTER:

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In view of MPEP § 609, Applicants understand that the Examiner will review the file of parent Application No. 09/185,717, filed November 4, 1998, and the art contained or of record therein, and that no new copies of such art, nor any new form PTO-1449, is needed. Nonetheless, Applicants have attached a new PTO-1449 for this divisional application

09/842694 09/842694 04/27/01 and enclose copies of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,914,485; 6,127,684; 6,034,406; and 6,191,411, which were previously cited in the parent case as U.S. applications. Copies of the applications, which have not yet issued, have been enclosed. Should the Examiner deem new copies of the remaining references necessary, such will gladly be supplied, on request.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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